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In re Patent Application of: Masaya YAMANOUCHI et al.

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For: METHOD FOR EXAMINING HUMAN

KIDNEY DISEASES BY DETECTING THE

FATTY ACID BINDING PROTEIN

Examiner: L. V. Cook

## **AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated September 20, 2005, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.